

## INFORMATION REPORT INFORMATION REPORT

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- Three drilling sections work under the direction of Object 29 headquarters. Drilling section No. I is located in Beizdorf,<sup>1</sup> No. II in Schmirchau, and, since mid-May 1955, No. III in Raitzhain. 25X1
- The ~~drafting section~~ (Karandasch<sup>3</sup> Abteilung) of Object 29 has at its disposal a special vehicle on which is mounted a cable drum, with electric motor, about 1 m. long. The cable is a five core cable and is connected to an instrument about 3/4 m. long, which is let down into the experimental drill holes. The instrument, known as the Goldfish, is equipped with several miniature tubes, type P 2000.
- Drilling must be interrupted at every meter and samples taken for the first 50 meters of an experimental drill hole; between 50 and 100 meters, samples must be taken every 2 meters; deeper than 100 meters, every 3 meters. At the same time, the Goldfish is used to survey the potential ore output.
- The following Russians are employed in Object 29:
 

Chushin	Head of Object 29
Petrov	Head of Drilling Section No. II.
	Engineer, age about 24.
Shushkanov	Political officer. Described as a brutal Russian functionary type, not liked.
Kaslova	Since middle of May, chief of <u>Karandasch</u> Section. Age about 30. Female.
- In the Schmirchau area, the veins of ore run obliquely to the surface. In the direction of Ronneburg, the vein ascends from a depth of 200 m. to 40 m. and then passes over into open cast mining. In the Lichtenberg direction the vein descends from 200 m. to a depth of 450 m. At Zentral-Schacht Schmirchau current work is concentrated on headings (Streckenvortrieb).

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6. A new Schacht is being built at Lichtenberg. Headings are being made under the old Schacht and under the dumps to establish the ore occurrence. Work here is at a depth of at least 250 m. The old Schacht is still in use. About 8 - 10 dump trucks take ore to the station, and about 20 take waste to the dumps daily.
7. At Stolzenberg the ore veins are at an oblique angle to the surface, passing over into open cast mining in the direction of Ronneburg. Daily about 15 tippers take ore to the station and 25 tippers take waste to the dump.
8. On the outskirts of Ronneburg, in the direction of Grossenstein, are concentrated almost all the UKB<sup>2</sup> and drilling towers. This area has priority in the work at present being carried out by the Object.
9. The second priority task is in the area Wansleben near Magdeburg, where a systematic sampling of water at all open water points is being carried out. The samples are tested in Object 29 laboratories. Test drilling has not yet begun.
10. Water samples taken in the Brandenburg area have proved very weak, and the Magdeburg area is being investigated instead.

1.  Comment: As received; probably should be Paitsdorf.
2.  Comment: UKB is a type of drilling equipment mounted on a two or three axle vehicle.
3.  Comment: Karandasch is the German transliteration of the Russian word meaning pencil.

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